

**House Bill No. 382**

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Law - Bribery of a Public Official - Public Employees**

FOR the purpose of ~~expanding~~ clarifying the category of persons considered to be public employees for purposes of certain prohibitions against bribery; defining a certain term; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to bribery of a public official.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Law

Section 9-201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Criminal Law**

9-201.

(a) (1) In this section[,], THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "POLITICAL SUBDIVISION" INCLUDES A:

(I) COUNTY;

(II) MUNICIPAL CORPORATION;

(III) BI-COUNTY OR MULTICOUNTY AGENCY;

(IV) COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION;

(V) PUBLIC AUTHORITY; OR

(VI) SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT THAT IS NOT A HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION.

(3) (I) ["public] "PUBLIC employee":

(1)] means an officer or employee of:

[(i)] 1. the State; or

[(ii)] 2. a [county, municipal corporation, bicounty or multicounty agency, or other] political subdivision of the State[; and].

[(2)] (II) "PUBLIC EMPLOYEE" includes:

[(i)] 1. an executive officer of the State;